FACT SHEET

March 2000

PROJECT: Des Plaines Wetlands Demonstration Project

AUTHORIZATION: 1988 WRDA; Reauthorized 1996 WRDA

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of the project is to construct small scale research, flood control projects designed to address any damage reduction and habitat/wetland enhancement; and to conduct research to evaluate the transferability to other like watersheds of fully scaled projects.

CURRENT STATUS: Initial work on the project includes preparing and forwarding the legal opinions to HQUSACE for approval of cost sharing, preparing a Project Management Plan and negotiating the Project Cooperation Agreement.

PLANNED WORK:

FY98

- * Completed and forwarded decision document (1 July)
- * Initiate PMP for five priority projects
- * Negotiate PCA for all projects

FY99

* Finalize PCA and commence projects in priority order

PROJECT COST:

*Total Study Cost \$2,720,000

*Federal Cost 1,650,000

*Non-Federal Cost 1,070,000

BENEFITS: (TBD) After evaluation of the projects, a full array of beneficial impact categories will be developed.

LOCAL SPONSOR: Lake County Forest Preserve District

ISSUES/CONCERNS: Funding insufficient to complete nine priority projects

PROJECT MANAGER: Phil Bernstein